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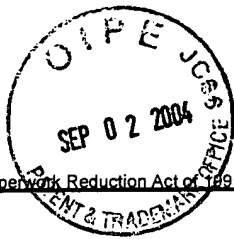
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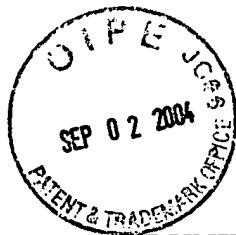
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Notice mailed August 9, 2004, enclosed please find three (3) sheets of replacement drawings.

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